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SUBJECT: ARAB TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION MEETING IN TUNIS, NOV 21-

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- 1. FOLLOWING, OBTAINED FROM ITU SOURCES, IS PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF PLENARY MEETING OF ARAB TELECOMMUNICATIONS UNION (ATU) TO BE HELD IN TUNIS NOV 21-DEC 11, 1974:
- (1) ENVISAGED ARAB COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK;
- $\hbox{$(2)$ ESTABLISHMENT OF ARAB ORGANIZATION TO BE RESPONSIBLE } FOR SUPERVISING OPERATIONS OF SPACE COMMUNICATIONS IN ARAB COUNTRIES;$
- (3) NEW PLAN OF ARAB COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK;
- (4) SEMINARS FOR THE ARAB COUNTRIES.
- 2. ITU HAS BEEN INVITED TO SEND OBSERVER TO ATU PLENARY.
- 3. INTELSAT REQUEST INVITATION TO ATTEND PLENARY AS OBSERVER AND EGYPTIAN SOURCES INDICATE THAT PLENARY WILL DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO EXTEND THIS INVITATION. INTELSAT SYG HAS BEEN SO INFORMED, ITU SOURCES REPORT.
- 4. GENEVA TELECOM INDUSTRY SOURCES REPORT THAT NEWSPAPER DIE WELT RECENTLY CARRIED STORY STATING THAT FOLLOWING UNCLASSIFIED

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FRENCH FONMIN VISIT TO MIDEAST, ARAB SATELLITE

PROJECT ORGANIZERS DECIDED TO INCORPORATE IN TENDER SPECIFICATIONS FOR SATELLITE SYSTEM REQUIREMENT THAT EQUIPMENT OFFERED

BE COMPATIBLE WITH FRENCH SECAM COLOR TV SYSTEM. IF THIS WERE TRUE, PROPOSED ARAB SYSTEM WOULD NOT BE COMPATIBLE WITH US, BULK OF CONTINENTAL EUROPEAN TV SYSTEMS (FRG, UK, SWISS, ETC.) BUT WOULD BE COMPATIBLE WITH FRENCH, SOVIET TV SYSTEMS. DALE

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